

HOUSE BILL 1403

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37,  
relative to the department of children's services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-5-132(a), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(1) By January 1, 2024, the department shall maintain staffing levels of case managers so that each case manager has a caseload of no more than:

(A) Twenty (20) active cases relating to initial assessments, including investigations of an allegation of child abuse or neglect;

(B) Twenty (20) children monitored and supervised in active cases relating to ongoing in-home services; or

(C) Twenty (20) children in active cases in which the children are in out-of-home placements relating to ongoing services.

(2) By July 1, 2024, the department shall maintain staffing levels of case managers so that each case manager has a caseload of no more than:

(A) Twelve (12) active cases relating to initial assessments, including investigations of an allegation of child abuse or neglect;

(B) Twelve (12) children monitored and supervised in active cases relating to ongoing in-home services; or

(C) Twelve (12) children in active cases in which the children are in out-of-home placements relating to ongoing services.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.